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A TEXT-BOOK OF MATERIA MEDICA FOR NURSES. By A. L. Muirhead, M.D. Illustrated. C. V. Mosby Company, St. Louis. Price, \$1.50.

As the author states in the preface—"This little book is written for the undergraduate nurse in training and with her needs and limitations constantly in mind. Its aim is to provide her with a book of twenty-four short chapters in which she can obtain easily and in language she can readily understand, the information concerning drugs and remedies which she needs in her calling." It would seem as though the author considered nurses in training as exceedingly limited in education and understanding. The definitions are so simplified as to be practically meaningless. The action of drugs is but touched upon and the information given is indefinite and superficial. Such words as "quite," "almost," "about," "somewhat," "sometimes," are found on every page. The tracings, taken principally from Jackson's Experimental Pharmacology, showing the drug action on the heart, lungs and other muscles, are excellent; but these are not explained or incorporated in the text.

INDUSTRIAL NURSING for Industrial, Public Health, and Pupil Nurses and for Employers of Labor. By Florence Swift Wright, R.N. The Macmillan Company, New York. Price, \$1.25.

So far as we know, the trained nurse entered industry first in 1895, and is still looked upon as a pioneer in this work. There are as yet no fixed standards of work and few have had training for this particular branch of public health nursing. At the present time nurses are employed in mills, factories, laundries, tanneries, department stores, and hotels; in mining villages and by insurance companies, by banks, and trust companies; consequently there must be an exceedingly varied service. Methods, records, equipment, etc., will present a separate problem with each industry. The scope of the industrial nurse's activities is almost as varied as industry itself. "The industrial nurse, as well as other public health nurses, may assist in solving two problems: the making of good American citizens, as well as the care of sick workers. She teaches the worker and his family in plant and home how to live in order to keep well and how to avail himself of proper medical care when sick or injured. Efforts for the care of the sick worker are gradually developing into the care of the well worker himself, to keep him well, and into the care of his workrooms, house, and community conditions, in order to keep him and also his family, in good health." This book is an authoritative presentation of the principles of industrial nursing and, as far as possible, of the duties of the nurse. It is an interesting and practical manual either for the industrial nurse already in the field, or as a